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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:
H. Engelhardt, et al.
Serial No.: 10/532,779
Filed: April 22, 2005
For: FINGER ... ENGINE

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PETITION UNDER RULE 47(a)

Commissioner for Patents
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INA-Schaeffler KG hereby petitions the Commissioner of Patents and
Trademarks to accept the application under the provisions of Rule 47(a). Enclosed
herewith is a declaration executed by two of the three inventors and the third inventor has
refused to execute.

Filed herewith is a declaration executed by Matthias Becker who is an employee
of the assignee of the application in the Intellectual property department which explains
the facts. Jörg Michel, the inventor who did not execute the application had submitted an
invention disclosure relating to the invention claimed in the above application which was
accepted by the assignee in accordance with German law by a letter of September 17,
2002 (Exhibit A of the declaration).

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The application, declaration and assignment were submitted to Jörg Michel by a letter of April 20, 2005 for signature (Exhibit B) to which there was no response by Jörg Michel. A follow up letter to Jörg Michel dated June 1, 2005 (Exhibit C) requested return of the executed documents was also unanswered and to-date, there has been no response from Jörg Michel.

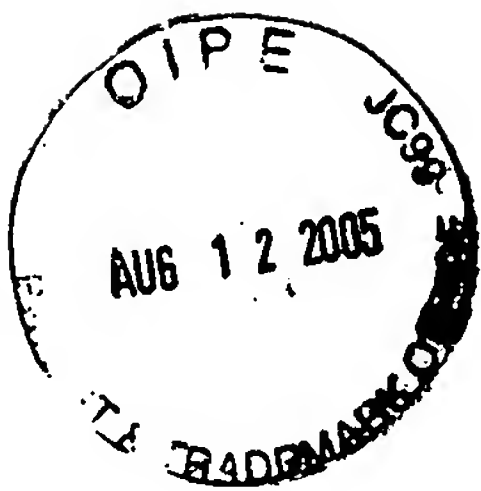
Under German law (Exhibit D), an employee must submit an invention in writing to the employer which the employer must accept in writing (Exhibit A). The assignment from the other two inventors is submitted herewith for recording with \$40 recording fee as well as the petition fee of \$130 with PTO form 2038.

Therefore, it is established that INA-Schaeffler KG is the rightful owner of the invention claimed in the above application and will lose valuable patent rights through no fault of its own if the petition is not granted. Therefore, granting of the Petition under Rule 47(a) is requested.

Respectfully submitted,
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Applicants are submitting herewith the formal drawings for the above application.

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